

OFFICE OF THE ASSAM INFORMATION COMMISSION JONAKEE COMPLEX, PANJABARI, GUWAHATI-781 037

Case No.	: SIC/NGN.72/2018
Appellant	: Sri Durgeswar Das
Respondent	: The SPIO, O/o the BDO, Moirabari Dev. Block, PO- Moirabari, Dist Morigaon, Assam, Pin- 782 126
Date of hearing	: 19.06.2018
Second Appeal heard by	: Sri Pinuel Basumatary, IA & AS (Retd.) State Information Commissioner, Assam

<u>O R D E R</u> 19.06.2018

The SPIO, Moirabari Dev. Block, Morigaon is absent without information. He has not submitted any Written Statement and also has not explained as to why penalty U/S 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 should not be imposed on him for his failure to furnish the information within the time stipulated.

The Appellant has sent a written apology dated 18.06.2018 on account of illness and requested to fix another date for hearing.

Perused the case record. The Appellant had sought certain information relating to an MGNREGA work executed in Lahkar Gaon Panchayat through his RTI Application dated 12.10.2017. He filed a Second Appeal dated 30.01.2018 stating that he had not received the information and that the First Appellate Authority had not heard his First Appeal dated 20.11.2017.

Considering that the RTI Application has been pending for over six months, and the Commission has not been apprised as to whether the information has been furnished, the Commission decided to go ahead with the hearing proceedings.

As evidenced by action taken by several Block Dev. Authorities in respect of information on work under MGNREGA, such information is held by the BDOs' offices and are to be provided to RTI Applicants. In view of this, the Commission hereby orders that the SPIO shall furnish the information to the Appellant, free of cost, within 15 days of receiving this order.

The Second Appeal is hereby disposed of.

Sd/-Pinuel Basumatary IA & AS (Retd.) State Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

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- 1. The SPIO, O/o the BDO, Moirabari Dev. Block, PO- Moirabari, Dist.- Morigaon, Assam, Pin- 782 126 for information and necessary action.
- 2. The First Appellate Authority/office of the BDO, Moirabari Dev. Block, PO- Moirabari, Dist.- Morigaon, Assam, Pin- 782 126 for information.
- 3. The Appellant, Sri Durgeswar Das, Residence of Christian Patty, PO- Nagaon, Dist-Nagaon, Pin- 782 001, Assam for information.
- 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 5. Office File.

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